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COMICS



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and the

BATTLE of the RUNNING-W

THAT HAMM'S GONE ON TROUBLE!
LET'S GO... CHARGE!



NO USE RUSHING INTO ANYTHING AND
THOSE SCORCHES! BETTER GO BACK
AN SEE WHAT DAMAGE THEY DID!



DAD! OPEN YOUR EYES! SOMETHIN' TO SEE!



MY FATHER! THEY'VE KILLED HIM!

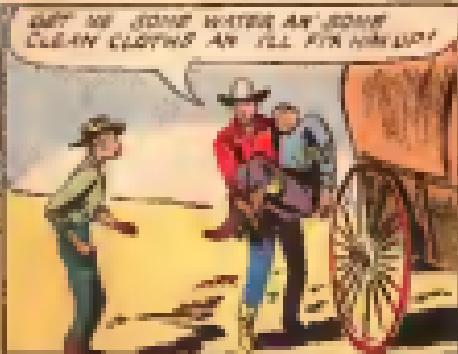
LET ME LOOK AT HIM DAD!



AS - AS - AS AS! MY DAD ALIVE!
BUT HE'S GOT A BAD
WOLE IN HIS SHOULDER!



PUT ME SOME WATER AN' SOME
CLEAN CLOTHS AN' I'LL FIX HIM UP!



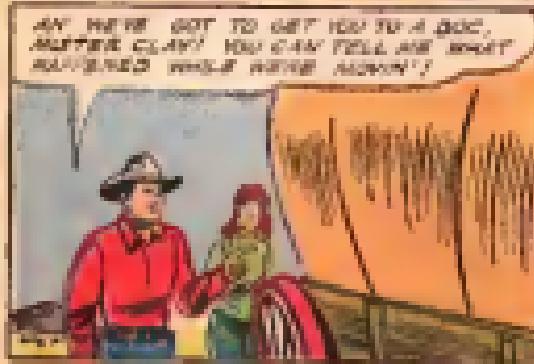
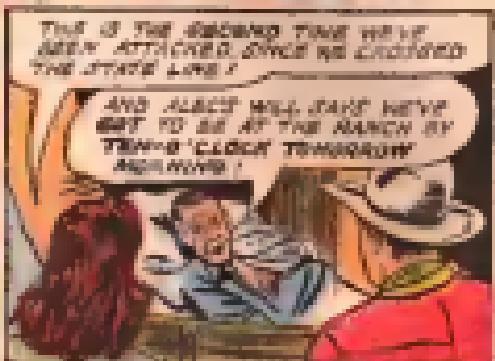
THREE'LL NEED ME TELL ME CAN GET 'EM
TO A DOCT' HE'S COMIN' TO!



THANKS, MISTER... - THREED! WEZ BOTH OF
YOU WANTED COME ALONG! MY GRAMMA
DON'T CLAPPIN'...

DON'T TRY TO TALK, MISTER
CLAY! MY GRAMMA HATES
GONE MISTER!





A SHORT TIME LATER

THERE THEY GO BOTH THOSE HORSES DOWN! THE BOSS IS SURE HE HAS NEVER HEARD THEM GO SO FAST!
THERE'S PLenty OTHER PLACES THESE Horses CAN GO ON THE RANCH TO STOP 'EM - PERHAPS NOT



ARE YOU SURE THE SECOND ATTACK
HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH THE FIRST
ONE?

Possibly, but I
REMEMBER ONE OF THE MEN
THAT TIME FOUR COWBOYS
CAME ALONG AND DROVE THEM
AWAY.



BUT MY IDEA WASN'T BEING THESE
ATTACKS ON YOU?

NOTHING DIFFERENT!

BUT IT MUST BE RICH HARRISON, UNCLE
ALICE STEPHENSON -- TRYING TO PREVENT
US FROM GETTING TO THE RANCH AT
THIS TIME!



NOW WHAT THE ABOUT HAVING TO DO
AT THE RANCH AT TEN, TOMORROW
MORNING?

ACCORDING TO UNCLE
ALICE HILL, DAD HAS TO BE THERE
ON OR BEFORE THAT TIME TO TAKE
POWERSHIP -- OTHERWISE THE LAND
GOES TO UNCLE ALICE STEPHENSON!



WOULDN'T BE SHAMED IF IT WAS
RIGHT, MESS MARY! WHAT'D THE
RICH HARRISON LOOK LIKE?

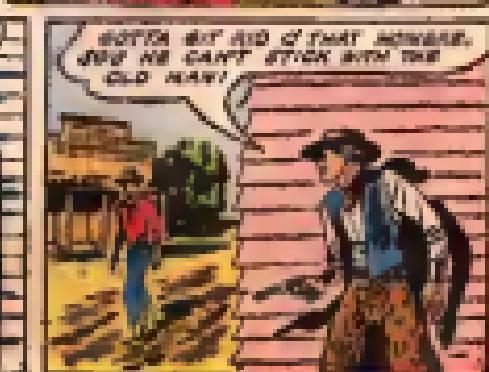
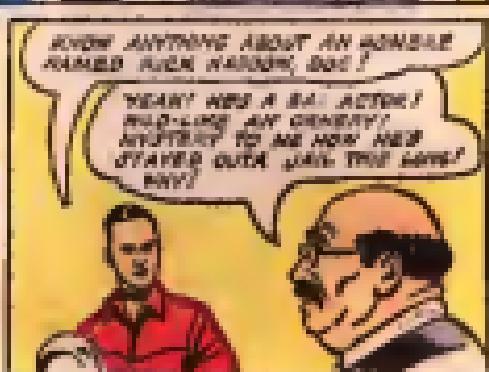
HAVE NEVER SEEN HIM!
WE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING
ABOUT HIM!



LATER THAT MORNING

THIS IS THE LITTLE TOWN OF BLACK CREEK! AN' HERE'S
THE DOC'S OFFICE!







I AINT BEEN RIDIN' FOR ANY'G' NEAR MARCH
MORIN' A WEEK! HEY PLAINLY BODY
SINCE HIS STEPPERTHER LEFT HIM A BIG
BUNCH!

I HEARD SOMETHIN' ABOUT
THAT'S TO HADDOON THE GULF
OCEAN!

ALCO CLAY HAD A BROTHER BACK
IN PLAINAS--BUT HE AINT SHEDDIN'
UP. HE'S ALL BETTER HE FIGHT
INJIN'. SO THE JURSED GELS TO
HIM!

WELL, I TELL RICH WAS ALOUD FER
HIM!

DON'T BOTHER TO TELL ME
ANYTHING! ILL PROBABLY BE
GEEGIN' HIM DOWN!

HELL SOWE, GADS! IF YOU THINK
YOU'RE GOIN' TO SCARE HIM OFF, YOU
GET ANOTHER FIGHT COMIN'!

NEXT TIME ILL AIM LOW--AN I
WONT MISS!

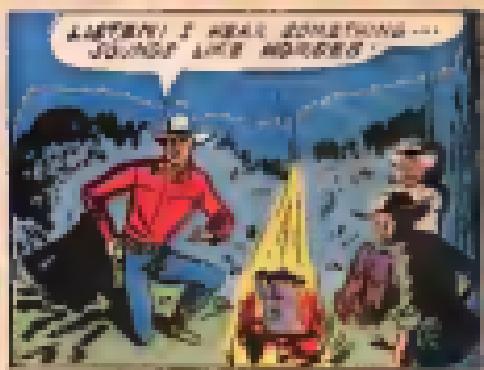
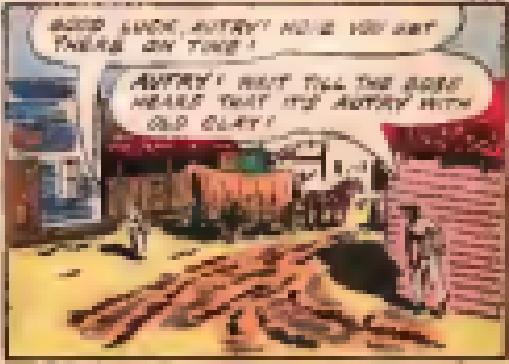
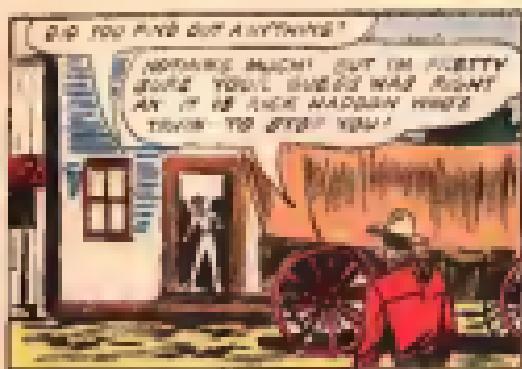
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THE SHERIFF WORE WE LEAVE!

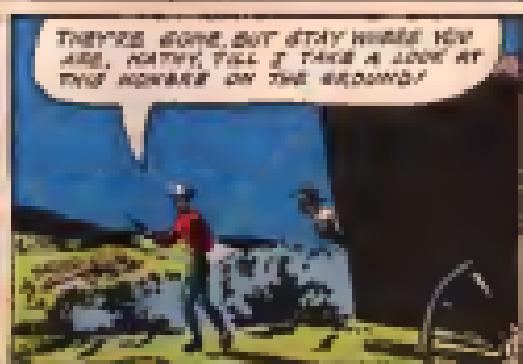
HELL

LAWDIE
TOWN OF
QUINNELL
BACK IN
THE
MOUNTAINS
TO THE
WEST

THIS IS THE TIME I WONT MISS!

DAD-BLACK THAT SHOOEDDAS O'





DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY OR ILL LET
YOU HAVE IT!

IT'S ALL RIGHT, MATTY, YOU CAN COME
OUT! HE'S NOT FROZEN, HE'S OUT COLD--
BUT HE'S STILL BREATHIN'! IS YOUR DAD
ALL RIGHT?

DADDY FINE! IS THIS ONE OF THE RAIL-

TALE IS THE HORSES THAT SHOT
AT ME IN BLACK CLOUD? AFTER
IT'S HADDON, HADDON! LET'S SEE
IF HE'S GOT ANY PAPER!

HE'S NOT HADDON! HIS NAME'S DAN
DODGE! PROBABLY ONE O'HADDON

WONDERFUL! FROM WHAT THE FOSTER SAID,
HADDON'S THE KING OF HORSES
AND HE'S INTRIGUING AND BUT
HE'S GONE!

THE BULLET WENT CLEAR THROUGH
HIS SHOULDERS! HE'S FOOL'D ME UP
BECAUSE I CAN NOW WELL THE HORSE
WE TAKE HIM ALONG WITH US!

NOVEL RODE TO HADON ROOM FOR ANOTHER
PASSENGER, WAITED CLAY! THEM WILL
GET THE HORSES AT US ON OUR WAY!

MATTIE GOT A FEW HORSES, GONE!
DO YOU THINK HE'LL GET TO THE RANCH
ON TIME?

MATTIE GOTTA GET THERE
ANYWAY! THEY WILL SETTLE
WITH THESE HORSES!!

THE NEXT MORNING...



THAT PLACE IS SO AWESOME - IT WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE FOR RASCALS TO...



THOSE THIEVES ARE GOIN' FROM AUTTY'S GEEPS OUT TO CUT THE RIBBON. START SHOOTIN' SLETT'S!

READY OR NOT? GEEPS GONE BACK TO REPORT TO RONN!



WHAT DOES IT MEAN, CLAY?

HAPPENED WHEN I WAS DRIVING UP IN THE ROCKIES - WITH ORDERS TO KEEP US OUT! BUT I'VE GOT AN IDEA...



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

YOU'RE SURE YOU FEEL WELL ENOUGH TO GO TROTTIN' WITH IT, MISTER CLAY?

I'LL DO ANYTHING TO GET TO THAT RANCH ON TIME!



HANG ON TIGHT TO THE HORSES, CLAY! I'LL SLIP OUT AGAIN!



IF I LUCKED OUT WITH IT, I CAN CIRCLE UP BEHIND AND SUBDUCE 'EM!



WHAT THE HELL'S STOPPIN' US FROM GOING FOR IT?

THEY CAN'T FIND NO
WIRE CUTTERS. IT'LL BE A
CATCH TO HOLD 'EM HERE TILL
THE CLOCK'S UP!



I DON'T LIKE IT! HEARD AUTRY'S UP
TO SOME TRICKS!

WE CAN'T BE UP
TO MUCH! THESE ARE
SITS ON THE RAILROAD!

WANT TO BET ON THAT, REED? I LEFT
YOUR HANDS RIGHT!!



AUTRY H-



RECKON THAT ONE WOULDN'T BE BACK
FOR ANOTHER!

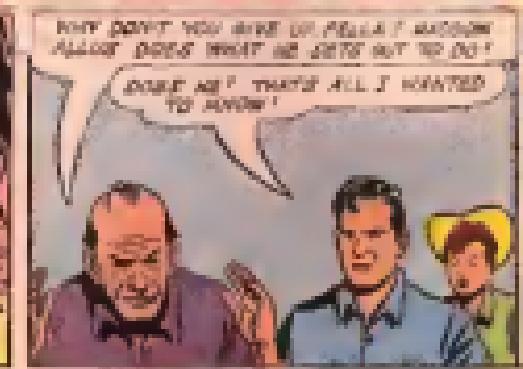


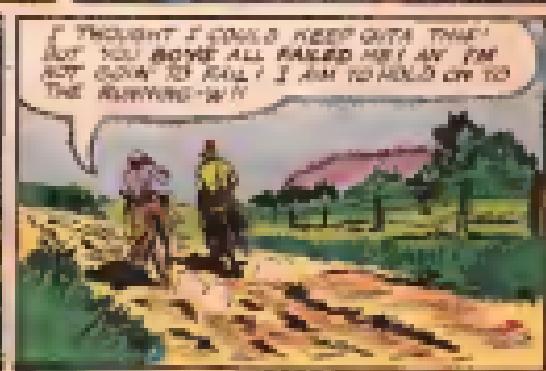
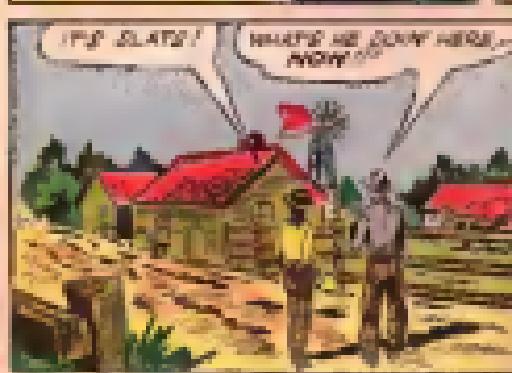
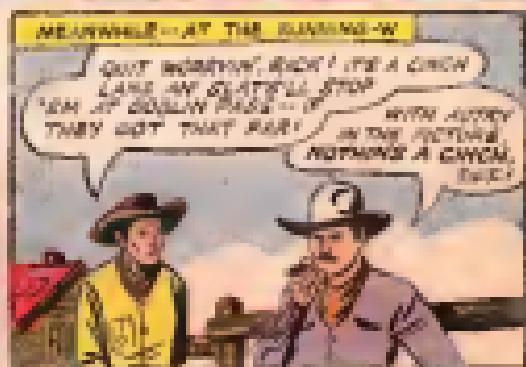
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DOOMPH!!

I'LL TAKE YOU ALIVE!!







THAT'S THE MAMMY I'LL STOP 'EM FOR
JUDD THIS TIME -- WITH HOT LEADS!

BUTTER, LOOK OUT, RICKY!
COMIN' ONCE IN A CLOUD BEHIND 'EM!



LOOKIN' LIKE A COUPLE HORSES! I
TEN TO ONE IT'S THE SHERIFF
DAD DAD ALREADY LEFT HOME
FOR THE SHERIFF TO FOLLOW
HIM!



CHEW ELATE! I GOTTA GOONIE TO
STOP 'EM LEVAN -- AT LEAST TILL
AFTER TEN O'CLOCK!



HADDIE, YOU DON'T

TO GET TO THE SHERIFF...
FOR HE GOTTA TO ASTERTH



HADDIE! HADDIE, YOU DON'T...

SURE GLAD TO SEE YOU,
HADDIE! YOU'RE COMIN'
RIGHT IN TIME!

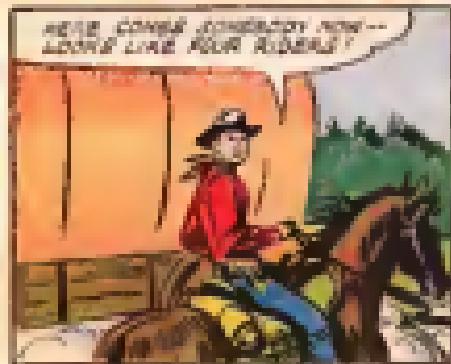
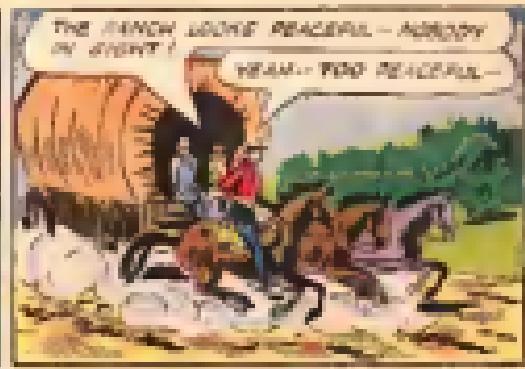


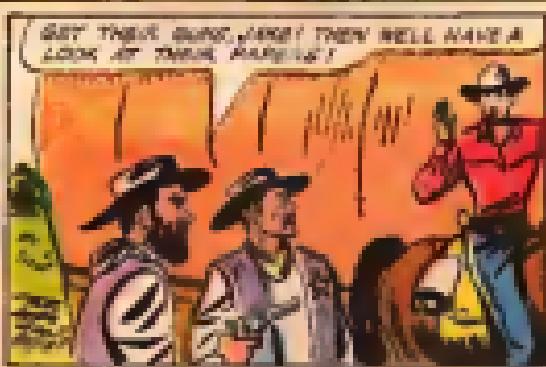
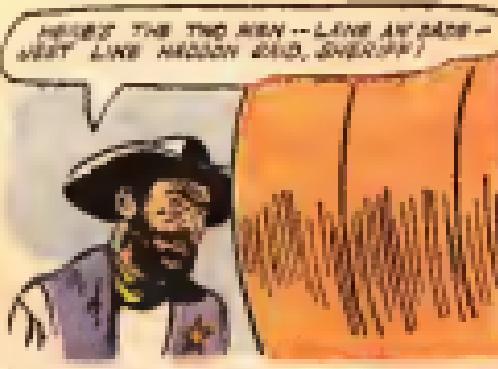
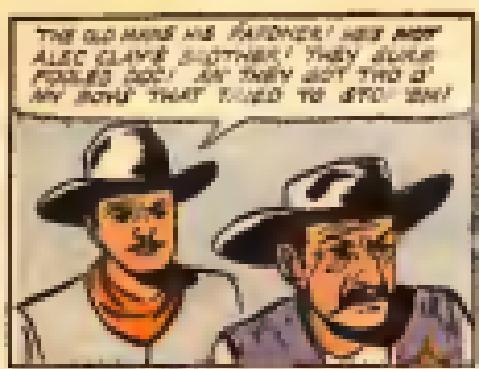
AT THAT SAME TIME

IT'S JUST THIRTY MINUTES OF
YOU GONE!

AN' THOSE THE
RANCH - STRAIGHT
AWAY TURN TO BETTER
RIDE SHAD OUTDOOR
FROM HERE ON IN - JUST
IN CASE!







ALL GET 'EM!

STOP! DON'T SHOOT! ILL EXPLAIN!



WE MADE IT! IT'S JUST ONE
MINUTE OF THEM

OWWWW!

THAT'S STOP THEM
GUNFIGHTING FOR
HANNIE, HADDON!



HERE'S OUR PAPER, JEWELL AND
HERE'S A COPY OF UNCLE ALICE'S
WILL! RICK HADDON HAS FIVE
TO STOP HE FROM GETTING RICH.

A FEW MINUTES LATER

—AH THAT'S THE BOULE STONY JEWELL
THOSE PAPER'D PROVE AND I AM!



SOSE SORRY I MADE SUCH A BIG
MISTAKE CLAY! IT LOOKS LIKE
THE RUMBLE-SHE IS ALL YOURE'S!

WEY TRADUO
TO GENE!

AT RICK HADDON AT HIS
ISLAND OF DISAPPOINTMENT
ARE ALL YOURE'S JEWELLY!

